

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2005-100-C - ORDER NO. 2005-562
OCTOBER 11, 2005

IN RE: Generic Proceeding to Investigate Emergency) ORDER GRANTING
Services Continuity Plans) ADMISSION PRO HAC
) VICE

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motion of Steven W. Hamm, Esquire, on behalf of Verizon South Inc. (Verizon) for Admission of Leigh A. Hyer to practice before the Commission *pro hac vice*. Mr. Hamm petitions for Leigh A. Hyer to appear before the Commission as counsel for Verizon in the hearing for Docket No. 2005-100-C regarding the generic proceeding established to investigate emergency services continuity plans.

Ms. Hyer serves as in-house counsel for Verizon's office located at 201 N. Franklin Street, 37th Floor, Tampa, Florida, and is a member in good standing of the bar of the District of Columbia, according to the certificate attached to the application. Additionally, Ms. Hyer has included an affirmation that she will comply with the applicable statutes, law and rules of the State of South Carolina, that she is familiar with and will comply with the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct, and that she will submit to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina courts and Commission on Lawyer Conduct.

Local counsel of record associated with Ms. Hyer is Steven W. Hamm of Richardson, Plowden, Carpenter & Robinson, P.A. located at 1600 Marion Street, Columbia, South Carolina.

It appears to this Commission that the proper *pro hac vice* application of Leigh A. Hyer has been filed with the South Carolina Supreme Court and that the necessary affirmation has been made. The Deputy Clerk for Bar Admissions has certified receipt of the filing and that the filing fee has been paid. We believe that Ms. Hyer meets the qualifications for admission to practice before the Commission at the hearing in Docket No. 2005-100-C *pro hac vice* and that he should be so admitted.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Leigh A. Hyer, Esquire, is a member in good standing of the bar of the District of Columbia, and through Motion of local counsel, Leigh A. Hyer has moved for her *pro hac vice* admission to practice before the Commission at the hearing on Docket No. 2005-100-C.

2. Proper application has been filed, the filing fee has been paid, and the necessary affirmation has been made, as required by SCACR 404.

3. Ms. Hyer has associated South Carolina counsel.

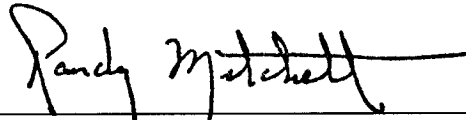
4. The Motion for *pro hac vice* admission in this proceeding should be granted.

ORDER

The Motion of Steven W. Hamm, Esquire, for *pro hac vice* admission of Leigh A. Hyer to practice before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina at the hearing on Docket No. 2005-100-C is granted.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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